

# GRETA PAPA

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## PERSONAL PROFILE

A prizewinning professional violinist with vast experience of orchestral and ensemble performance in the United Kingdom and internationally. With a strong commitment to chamber music, Greta has achieved notable recognition with her piano trio and string quartet (Waldstein) both in concert and in the international competition arena, as well as joining numerous other ensembles for projects and festival appearances.

Collaboration and creative development are essential to Greta's artistic vision and these are evident in her involvement with interdisciplinary projects involving dance, theatre and visual art.

Having addressed and overcome many challenges and little support in earlier years, Greta's strengths and attributes include a strong motivation for lifelong learning and a desire to communicate this in educational settings to student and amateur musicians across the age range. She is also a pro-active exponent of contemporary music including commissioning and supporting early career composers in workshops and performances.

Aiming for the highest standards in all her artistic endeavours, Greta also demonstrates reliability and excellent interpersonal and organisational skills. She is inspired by music-making and with an inclusive approach, in turn inspires others.

## KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

**Significant chamber music competition successes.** These include:

First Prize Vienna International Music Competition 2023

First Prize Medici International Music Competition 2023

First Prize Amadeus International Music Competition 2023

Second Prize Fanny Mendelssohn International Competition 2023

Second Prize CAVATINA Intercollegiate Chamber Music Competition Wigmore Hall 2022

**Solo appearances** including cross arts collaboration: Christou, *Strychnine Lady* dissonArt Ensemble [www.dissonart.gr](http://www.dissonart.gr) 2018

**Orchestral leading roles** Professional leading experience in orchestras in Greece and whilst undertaking postgraduate studies at Guildhall School of Music & Drama and Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance

**Project leader** Initiates and creates performance opportunities, inspiring new audiences including in prisons and other non-formal settings

**Educational achievements** include gaining two Masters degrees and two diplomas with distinction whilst overcoming political and social challenges

## AWARDS

Please see Key Achievements. Information on further competition successes available on request

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## CAREER HISTORY

Including:

**Extensive professional Symphony and Chamber Orchestra performance experience/ 1<sup>st</sup> violin** including with:

English Chamber Orchestra

BBC Concert Orchestra

BBC NOW

**Additional 1<sup>st</sup> violin professional experience** whilst undertaking postgraduate studies at Guildhall School of Music and Drama:

London Symphony Orchestra

Australian Chamber Orchestra

**Leader** Waldstein Trio and Waldstein Quartet

**1<sup>st</sup> violin/3<sup>rd</sup> chair rotation** Thessaloniki State Symphony Orchestra 2001-2018

**Principal Second Violin** Larissa Symphony Orchestra

## EDUCATION

Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance Junior Fellow 2022-2024

Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance Advanced Professional Diploma 2021-2022 (Distinction)

Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance Postgraduate Artist Diploma 2020-2021 (Distinction)

Guildhall School of Music & Drama Master of Performance in Orchestral Artistry 2018-2020 in collaboration with London Symphony Orchestra (Distinction)

University of Macedonia Master in Arts 2017-2020 (Distinction)

University of Macedonia Bachelor of Music 2006-2012 (Distinction)

Synchrono Conservatory of Thessaloniki Diploma in Solo Violin Performance 1997-2001 (Distinction and first prize)

## LANGUAGES

Fluent English, Greek, Albanian

Medium level Italian

## VOLUNTARY WORK

Performing in social and care settings including hospitals, care homes and in house concerts

## OTHER INTERESTS

Psychology, Backgammon, Reading

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

DBS check

Greta plays a Pressenda Violin, kindly granted to her by Trinity Laban.